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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR PRESENTS LETTERS OF CREDENCE

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1. NORTH KOREAN AMBASSADOR TO SIERRA LEONE KIL YONG SU, ON JANUARY 17, PRESENTED HIS LETTERS OF CREDENCE TO PRESIDENT TOLBERT AS NORTH KOREA'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO LIBERIA. DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WERE ESTABLISHED BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES IN 1974. FOREIGN MINISTRY SOURCES STATE THAT THERE ARE NO IMMEDIATE PLANS FOR NORTH KOREA TO ESTABLISH AN EMBASSY IN MONROVIA.

2. IN ACCEPTING KIL YONG SU'S CREDENTIALS, TOLBERT SAID THAT "ALTHOUGH WE REALIZE THAT THE PROBLEMS OF RE-UNIFICATION OF KOREA ARE NOT ONLY TRYING AND CHALLENGING, WE CANNOT ESCAPE THE FACT THAT IT POSES A HIGHLY DANGEROUS THREAT TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY. WE THEREFORE CALL ON NORTH AND SOUTH KOREA TO REDOUBLE THEIR EFFORTS AND RE-DEDICATE THEMSELVES ANEW TO THE TASK OF RESUMING THE DIALOGUE FOR RAPPROACHMENT AND RE-UNIFICATION IN A GENUINE SPIRIT OF MUTUAL TRUST,
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ACCOMMODATION, FARSIGHTEDNESS, AND RECONCILIATION". TOLBERT ALSO CONGRATULATED NORTH KOREA FOR ITS "SPLENDID ACHIEVEMENTS" AND "GREAT STRIDES OVER THE YEARS TO DEVELOP IN ALL FIELDS OF HUMAN ENTERPRISE".

3. COMMENT. THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE NORTH KOREAN'S LETTERS OF CREDENCE IS ANOTHER STEP IN TOLBERT'S POLICY

TO EXPAND GRADUALLY RELATIONS WITH THE COMMUNIST WORLD
AS A MEANS OF ENHANCING LIBERIA'S NON-ALIGNED CREDENTIALS.
LIBERIA NOW HAS FULL DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH EIGHT
COMMUNIST COUNTRIES.
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